

## METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR REDIRECTING NETWORK TRAFFIC

### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5           Methods and apparatus are described for replicating a plurality of original packets in  
a packet flow which follows a first routing path. The packet flow is received with a first  
device, the first device being included in the first routing path. In the first device, the  
original packets in the packet flow are identified according to at least one predetermined  
criterion. In the first device, replicate packets corresponding to the original packets are  
10           generated. The original packets are transmitted from the first device along the first routing  
path. The replicate packets are transmitted from the first device along a second routing path  
which is different from the first routing path.